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Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir or Madam:

Applicants hereby petition for an automatic two-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action mailed on October 20, 2004 as provided for by 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a). With this extension, the due date for a response is February 20, 2005. The Office is hereby authorized to deduct the fee set forth under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 for a two-month extension for a large entity, believed to be \$ 450.00, from Deposit Account No. 02-3240.

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